

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
Mire, Philip J.

Serial No. 09/312,150

Filed: May 14, 1999

For: PUBLIC KEY INFRASTRUCTURE
UTILIZING MASTER KEY ENCRYPTION
(AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED)

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Confirmation No.: 2203

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Examiner: Moorthy, Aravind K.

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

No fees, including extension of time fees, are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees, are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1, 7-12, 18-22 and 30 are pending in this application and all stand rejected. Claims 1, 7-12, 18-22 and 30 remain in the application. Claims 11 and 22 have been amended to broaden the scope of the claims. Reconsideration of the application, in light of the arguments below and allowance of all pending claims is requested.